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Applicant(s): van Bommel

Appln No.: 10/037,960

Filed: November 9, 2001

For: METHOD OF REMOVING THE  
FIBROUS SHELLS FROM CEREAL  
GRAINS

Group Art

Unit: 1761

Examiner: A.J. Weier

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
ATTENTION: Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/reply in the above-identified application.

- Included with this amendment are clean paragraphs/claims and marked-up paragraphs/claims according to 37 C.F.R. §1.121.
- Response to Restriction Requirement.
- No additional fee is required.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Independent Claims	3	-	3	** = 0	x \$ 84.00 = \$ 0.00
Total Claims	20	-	20	* = 0	x \$ 18.00 = \$ 0.00
Fee for Multiply Dependent Claims				\$ 280.00	
** At least 3				Total Additional Fee	\$ 0.00
* At least 20					
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status, thus reducing the fee by half to:					\$ 0.00

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
ATTENTION: Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In a restriction requirement dated September 23, 2002,  
the Examiner has grouped the claims in the above-identified  
application as follows:

- I. Claims 1-18, 20 and 21 to a method of removing  
fibrous shells from cereal grains; and
- II. Claim 19 to a method of using said treated cereal  
grains.

Applicant hereby elects Group I for continued  
prosecution. With this response, Applicant is canceling  
claims 1-21 and replacing them with new claims 22-41, which  
Applicant believes fall within Group I as elected.

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